

# October 2024 Newsletter



Studio is closed on October 31<sup>st</sup> for Halloween!  
Have Fun and Stay Safe!!

**OCTOBER TUITION** - Tuition is due on the 1<sup>st</sup>. You should have received an invoice in your email to pay it online. If you want to avoid the card processing fee, it can be paid in the studio by cash or check or dropped in our mailbox outside the studio doors. The first late fee will be assessed on October 4<sup>th</sup> to all those not paid by then. Thank you for paying on time!

**FUNDRAISERS:** Our first fundraiser is going on now! All students may participate to add money to your student accounts to pay for miscellaneous expenses such as tuition, costumes, shoes and tights. Student accounts may not be used for studio store items. Grab a form if you're interested!

**WEAR YOUR COSTUMES TO CLASS WEEK:** From **October 24-30<sup>th</sup>**, your students are encouraged to wear their Halloween costumes to classes! Please be sure their costumes will still allow them to participate in classes easily without accessories that will get in their way.

**TEAM STUDENTS:** Your costume deposits are due on **October 18<sup>th</sup>**! Just like the other students, it's a deposit of \$35 per team costume. Any recreational class costumes will be due on December 18<sup>th</sup>. **Also, your order for team jackets, earrings and tights will be due on November 15<sup>th</sup>.**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:** Recital costume deposits are due by **December 21<sup>st</sup>**. This is a deposit of \$35 per costume. Forms will be handed out a couple weeks prior to the due date.

**WATCH WEEK:** The first watch week of this season is scheduled for the **week of December 15<sup>th</sup>**. **Only 1 parent may watch at one time.** You are welcome to record your students to share privately with other relatives. Please turn sound off on phones and keep talking to a minimum as to not distract students. If you must have a conversation (phone or otherwise) please take it to the waiting room or outside. Facetime to another relative is fine also. **Team students: DO NOT SHARE THESE VIDEOS ON SOCIAL MEDIA due to privacy and likelihood of routines being copied by others. Videos may be shared AFTER the first competition.**

**REMIND:** If you have not gotten any of our text messages, please check on our website under the information link to sign up for our texting services. **It is crucial that everyone is signed up** as we use it to contact parents in case issues come up and for notifications for class cancellations etc.

**WATER:** Please send water in enclosed bottles with your students as they get hot and thirsty quickly. We don't have a water fountain available but do have water bottles available to purchase for \$.25 each. **PLEASE NO sticky drinks of any kind! No soda, coffee drinks etc.**

**WAITING ROOM:** It's very small so sitting and waiting is unfortunately, very limited. Most of our parents enjoy shopping & running errands while kids are in classes since we're so close to the Levee District. 😊

**PARKING LOT:** Our lease states that we agree to have our parents park in the middle of the lot and **not directly in front of the building.** If you are picking up or dropping off, we do want you pull up in front of the building for a couple minutes for the safety of your child. A lot of traffic that goes through the lot quickly.

Our website, [SaraKatesDanceStudio.com](http://SaraKatesDanceStudio.com), has all the necessary information that you could ever need and is updated frequently.